

December 2005 Update

Department staff has reviewed the comments on the draft rules received during the nine small group meetings held last year. Additionally, the Department has met with some affected stakeholders to resolve issues specific to their facilities.

As a result of the review and the meetings, changes have been made to the draft rules, and a new draft is posted on the Department's website. The posted draft does not include comments submitted by county health departments. The Department is considering the changes that will be made as a result of the comments. A task force comprised of representatives from the small group meetings will be convened to review the draft rules in early 2006.

Thank you for your participation in this rulemaking. If you have any questions, please call Kathleen Phillips at (602) 542-1264 or Valerie Grina at (602) 364-2580.